

COUNTY COUNCIL  
OF  
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 99-47

Introduced by Council Member Stepp

Legislative Day No. 99-23 Date September 7, 1999

AN ACT to repeal and reenact, with amendments, Article XXVIII, Harford County Cultural Advisory Board, of Part 3, Authoritative Boards and Commissions, of Chapter 9, Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies, of the Harford County Code, as amended; to rename the Harford County Cultural Advisory Board; and generally relating to the Harford County Cultural Advisory Board.

By the Council September 7, 1999

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: October 5, 1999

at: 6:00 p.m.

By Order: James E. Massery, Jr., Administrator

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on October 5, 1999 and concluded on October 5, 1999.

James E. Massery, Jr. Administrator

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates Language added to Bill by amendment. Language lined through indicates matter stricken out of Bill by amendment.

1 Section 1. Be It Enacted By The County Council of Harford County, Maryland, That  
2 Article XXVIID, Harford County Cultural Advisory Board, be, and it is, repealed and  
3 reenacted, with amendments, of Part 3, Authoritative Boards and Commissions, of  
4 Chapter 9, Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies, of the Harford County Code,  
5 as amended, to read as follows:

6 Chapter 9. Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies.

7 Part 3. Authoritative Boards and Commissions.

8 Article XXVIID, Harford County Cultural [Advisory] ARTS Board

9 Section 9-176.11. Establishment.

10 A. There is a Harford County Cultural [Advisory] ARTS Board.

11 B. The Board is an agency of the County Council.

12 C. The budget for the Board shall be listed as a separate division under the County  
13 Council budget.

14 Section 9-176.12. Membership.

15 A. The Board consists of 15 members appointed by the County Council;

16 (1) 14 citizen representatives, 2 appointed by each Council member; and

17 (2) A member of the County Council, appointed by the Council.

18 B. The Board members shall:

19 (1) Be residents of the county; and

20 (2) Insofar as possible, be representative of the county's population with respect to  
21 race, gender, political affiliation and geography.

22 Section 9-176.13. Terms of office; vacancies.

23 A. The terms of the members are coterminous with that of the County Council.

1 B. At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed  
2 and qualifies.

3 C. A vacancy on the Board shall be filled in the manner of original appointment.

4 Section 9-176.14. Meetings; quorum; absences.

5 A. The Board shall meet at least 9 times per year.

6 B. Eight members of the Board constitute a quorum.

7 C. Unless the absences are explained to the satisfaction of the Board, a member with  
8 unexcused absences for 3 or more consecutive Board meetings is deemed to have  
9 resigned, and the Board shall notify the County Council of the resignation. Within 60  
10 calendar days after receiving the notice, the County Council shall appoint a replacement  
11 for the member.

12 D. Each member of the Board shall serve without compensation but may be  
13 reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their  
14 duties.

15 Section 9-176.15. Officers.

16 A. The Board shall annually select a Chairperson, a Vice Chairperson and a  
17 Secretary from among its members.

18 B. The Board may elect any other officers it deems necessary.

19 Section 9-176.16. Powers and duties.

20 A. The Board shall have the following powers and duties:

21 (1) To promote and support the overall development of arts and culture in Harford  
22 County;

- 1 (2) To provide, subject to limitations of available funds, financial support through the
- 2 awarding of grants to artists, art institutions and community organizations sponsoring art
- 3 or cultural activities pursuant to the regulations and policies of the Board;
- 4 (3) To encourage local government and citizen interest in the arts and culture;
- 5 (4) To apply for and accept grants from the state, county or federal government or
- 6 any other funding source;
- 7 (5) To accept and process nominations for Harford Living Treasures;
- 8 (6) To encourage and promote programs that will enhance the appreciation and
- 9 enjoyment of the arts and culture by all citizens of Harford County;
- 10 (7) To evaluate, through the Chairman, jointly with the Council Administrator, the
- 11 performance of the Coordinator;
- 12 (8) To act as the official arts council for Harford County in order to accept and
- 13 disburse funds from the Maryland State Arts Council;
- 14 (9) To ensure that the artists in education program receives at least the minimum state
- 15 required funding from the grant received from the Maryland State Arts Council;
- 16 (10) To provide a report to the County Council of its activities by March 31 of each
- 17 year; and
- 18 (11) To ensure that the County Auditor annually conducts a financial audit of the funds
- 19 received and disbursed by the Board.
- 20 B. The Board may:
- 21 (1) Accept any gift;
- 22 (2) Adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of this article; and
- 23 (3) Adopt bylaws governing the conduct of its business.

1 C. Regulations and bylaws adopted under Subsection B of this section are not  
2 effective until approved by the County Council.

3 Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted, That this Act shall take effect 60 calendar days  
4 from the date it becomes law.

5 EFFECTIVE: December 13, 1999

6 The Council Administrator does  
7 hereby certify that fifteen (15) copies of this  
8 Bill are immediately available for  
9 distribution to the public and the press.  
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Council Administrator

HARFORD COUNTY BILL NO. 99-47Brief Title) Cultural Advisory Board - Name Change

is herewith submitted to the County Council of Harford County for enrollment as being the text as finally passed.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

ENROLLED

James E. Massey  
Council Administrator

Count Hill  
President of the Council

Date 10-5-99Date 10/5/99

BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed: LSD 99-26

Failed of Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

By Order

James E. Massey  
Council Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 6th day of October, 1999 at 3:00 p. m.

James E. Massey  
Council Administrator



BY THE EXECUTIVE

James M. Harbin  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: Date October 12, 1999

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill (No. 99-47), having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, becomes law on October 12, 1999.

James E. Massey  
Council Administrator

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 13, 1999